

## Recommended Actions for Addressing California Native American Tribal Water Issues

RECOMMENDATION	ACTION	CONTACT AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Content to be Developed for the California Water Plan		
1. DWR should include public domain allotment lands in planning		DWR has allotment data from Bureau of Indian Affairs. DWR does acknowledge existence of allotment lands.
2. DWR should work with Tribes to create maps that reflect Tribal lands, hydrologic regions, and recharge areas for potable water, while respecting culturally sensitive information	Winnemum-Shasta Tribal Homeland Ione Miwok/North Fork Mono Tribe maps New State map New South Central map	Update 2013 will include <u>Californians Without Safe Water</u> report with assistance from the DAC/EJ Caucus  Some maps available.  Recharge areas for potable water falls under the jurisdiction of Dept. of Public Health  Regional DWR offices to be notified
3. DWR should include Tribal boundaries and information on Geographic Information System layers used in water planning	On-going.	Regional offices work on the maps as needed.
4. DWR should integrate Bulletin 118 on Groundwater with the Water Plan	Groundwater Caucus	Abdul Khan – <a href="mailto:akhan@water.ca.gov">akhan@water.ca.gov</a>
5. DWR should establish long-term plans for managing groundwater	Groundwater Caucus	Abdul Khan – <a href="mailto:akhan@water.ca.gov">akhan@water.ca.gov</a>
6. DWR should establish long-term plans for managing flood water and storm water	Flood Caucus and Water Quality Caucus  Meadows included in RMS chapters? What about upper watersheds?	Flood issues contact Terri Wegener – <a href="mailto:twegener@water.ca.gov">twegener@water.ca.gov</a> Storm water issues contact Jose Alarcon – <a href="mailto:jalarcon@water.ca.gov">jalarcon@water.ca.gov</a>

7. DWR should emphasize the importance of long-term sustainability for water resources	<p>Sustainability Indicators Include upper watersheds?</p> <p>What about climate change issues and emerging actions?</p> <p>What about value of Traditional Ecological Knowledge and practices?</p>	Abdul Khan – <a href="mailto:akhan@water.ca.gov">akhan@water.ca.gov</a>
8. DWR should develop a new California Water Plan chapter or a separate bulletin describing status of tribal water rights and water issues for each tribe similar to DWR Water District Bulletin. This document would include maps showing the tribal lands for each tribe, size of the tribe, nature of asserted water right, nature of proposed or actual use, etc.	Out of Water Plan scope	<p>Companion plans and governance for water rights discussion. Do not have a consensus among Tribes, could be discussed during the IRWM process</p> <p>This is Tribal water rights not California State/Federal water rights.</p>
<b>California Water Plan Tribal Communication Plan and Network</b>		
10. DWR should lead interagency Tribal communication network	November 2012 – Awaiting Natural Resources Agency Tribal Consultation Policy to be released for direction re: implementation.	<p>Interagency planning processes already in place to be informed by Resources Agency's policy.</p> <p><a href="http://www.resources.ca.gov/tribal_policy.html">http://www.resources.ca.gov/tribal_policy.html</a></p>
11. DWR should develop a resource guide for water issues and water-related emergencies	November 2012 – DWR Tribal Liaison will be developing at Department-wide level.	Kimberly Johnston-Dodds – <a href="mailto:kjdodds@water.ca.gov">kjdodds@water.ca.gov</a>
12. DWR together with California Native American Tribes should renew efforts to get gaming Tribes involved in water planning	DWR does invite gaming Tribes to participate in meetings/workshops, etc.	

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<b>13.</b> DWR should increase Tribal representation on the California Water Plan Advisory Committee or establish a dedicated Tribal Government Advisory Committee for the Water Plan	There is an existing Tribal Advisory Committee	Contact Emily Alejandrino – <a href="mailto:ealejand@water.ca.gov">ealejand@water.ca.gov</a> for information or check the Water Plan Tribal Advisory Committee and Tribal Engagement webpage
<b>14.</b> DWR and a Tribal advisory body should discuss the potential for a future Summit	In progress	Tribal Water Summit 2013 scheduled for April 24-25, 2013.  Tribal Water Summit Design team in place.
Department of Water Resources (other than the Water Plan)		
<b>15.</b> DWR should prepare a work plan for Tribal issues	November 2012 - DWR Tribal Liaison is preparing a department-wide work plan.	Kimberly Johnston-Dodds – <a href="mailto:kjdodds@water.ca.gov">kjdodds@water.ca.gov</a>
<b>16.</b> DWR should support the integration of Tribes in Integrated Regional Water Management Plan planning processes	Is there allocation of funds for Tribal land/water endeavors; technical assistance?	IRWM conference May 24-25, 2011 attended by tribal members. Another conference scheduled in 2013.  IRWM panel at 12/9/11 TAC meeting.  IRWM Guidelines: <a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/guidelines.cfm">http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/guidelines.cfm</a>
<b>17.</b> DWR should designate an executive coordinator of Tribal issues	What is definition of “executive coordinator”?  November 2012 DWR staff that work on tribal issues and directly with California Native American Tribes: Executive Level: Tribal Liaison and Policy Advisor Water Plan Tribal Liaison Four Regional Tribal Liaisons, 2 Regional Coordinators Division of Environmental Services: Three (3) archaeologists, will be hiring another in	Executive Level Tribal Liaison & Policy Advisor: Kimberly Johnston-Dodds – <a href="mailto:kdodds@water.ca.gov">kdodds@water.ca.gov</a>  CWP Tribal Liaison: Emily Alejandrino – <a href="mailto:ealejand@water.ca.gov">ealejand@water.ca.gov</a> Region  Regional Tribal Liaisons: Northern Office: Tito Cervantes – <a href="mailto:cervante@water.ca.gov">cervante@water.ca.gov</a> North Central Office: Tim Nelson – <a href="mailto:tnelson@water.ca.gov">tnelson@water.ca.gov</a> South Central Office: Abimael Leon-Cardona – <a href="mailto:aleoncar@water.ca.gov">aleoncar@water.ca.gov</a> Southern Office: Jennifer Wong – <a href="mailto:jenwong@water.ca.gov">jenwong@water.ca.gov</a>

	next fiscal year	<p>Regional Coordinators:  Scott Woodland – <a href="mailto:scott.woodland@water.ca.gov">scott.woodland@water.ca.gov</a>  Mary Randall – <a href="mailto:mary.randall@water.ca.gov">mary.randall@water.ca.gov</a></p> <p>Archaeologists: Wendy Pierce – <a href="mailto:wendy.pierce@water.ca.gov">wendy.pierce@water.ca.gov</a>  Rebecca Gilbert – <a href="mailto:rebecca.gilbert@water.ca.gov">rebecca.gilbert@water.ca.gov</a>  Doug Rischbieter – <a href="mailto:doug.rischbieter@water.ca.gov">doug.rischbieter@water.ca.gov</a></p>
<b>18.</b> DWR should support amending the IRWMP and/or related State bond guidelines and/or requirements to (1) allow Tribes to propose projects and receive funding directly as part of Integrated Regional Water Management Plans; (2) to emphasize the importance of partnerships	In progress with TAC Legislative Workgroup – status?	Legislative Workgroup Lead – Sam Cohen (TAC member) and others are working on a report for the TAC to discuss effective Tribal involvement in the IRWM process. Status?
<b>19.</b> DWR should increase support (technical help, training, funding, etc.) for groundwater assessment and planning efforts	Groundwater Caucus	<p>Caucus Contact – Abdul Khan <a href="mailto:akhan@water.ca.gov">akhan@water.ca.gov</a></p> <p>DWR invites tribes to participate in the new groundwater monitoring program. Contact Mary Scruggs at <a href="mailto:mscruggs@water.ca.gov">mscruggs@water.ca.gov</a></p>
<b>20.</b> DWR should increase support (technical help, training, funding, etc.) to Tribes for genuine participation in local planning.	IRWM?	
<b>21.</b> DWR Division of Flood Management should provide support (technical help, training, funding, etc.) for Tribes to develop and strengthen their emergency preparedness plans as related		<p>DWR offers technical help and training, i.e. free Flood-Fight trainings. DWR is aware that funding to tribes for other support can be a challenge. For more information contact Scott Woodland at <a href="mailto:woodland@water.ca.gov">woodland@water.ca.gov</a>.</p> <p>Issues regarding Dam Safety <a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/damsafety/">http://www.water.ca.gov/damsafety/</a>  Potable water issues are under the jurisdiction of the Department</p>

to water resources (e.g., flooding, mudslide, and dam safety threats, potable water supply disruptions, fire-fighting water needs)		<p>of Public Health and Department of Health Services. Drinking water systems that supply federally recognized tribal communities are regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Drinking water systems that supply other tribal communities are regulated by the Department from its field offices. A map showing the areas served by these field offices is available on our website at the following link:</p> <p><a href="http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/Documents/DDWEM/OriginalDistrictMapCDPH.pdf">http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/Documents/DDWEM/OriginalDistrictMapCDPH.pdf</a></p>
<b>22.</b> DWR should work with Tribes to improve mapping of watershed resources – including Tribal lands and floodplains – while respecting culturally sensitive information	<p>November 2012 – Tribal Liaison and Water Plan Liaison working with California Native American Tribes on Culture and Water RMS to describe issues and recommendations.</p> <p>November 2012 – Over next 12-18 months, Tribal Liaison will be working with California Native American Tribes, DWR key staff who work directly with Tribes staff (see D.3 above), DWR staff department-wide and others to develop DWR guidelines and protocols related to cultural resources and culturally sensitive information.</p>	<p>DWR does map watersheds but does not look at jurisdictions - only topography.</p> <p>Contact Kimberly Johnston-Dodds at <a href="mailto:kdodds@water.ca.gov">kdodds@water.ca.gov</a></p>
<b>23.</b> DWR should create Director's Tribal Water Advisory Committee similar to those established for the California Departments of Transportation and of Corrections		Topic that could be discussed at a future Tribal AC meeting.
<b>24.</b> DWR should provide support (technical help, training, funding, etc.) for Tribes to prepare their own water management plans	<p>IRWM</p> <p>Other opportunities?</p>	Could be under the rubric of IRWM

<b>25.</b> DWR should prioritize the restoration and protection of salmon and other migratory fish habitats, and thereby protect the quality of life and rights of Tribes	<p>Oct. 29, 2010 DWR approved an Environmental Stewardship Policy to integrate environmental objectives in the planning and development of operations and projects.</p> <p>Could be addressed through the CWP various Resource Management Strategies (RMS)</p>	<p>Invite Department of Fish and Game staff to engage in a discussion with tribes at TAC meeting.</p> <p>Environmental Stewardship Policy - <a href="http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/docs/news/EnvironmentalStewardshipPolicy2010.pdf">http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/docs/news/EnvironmentalStewardshipPolicy2010.pdf</a></p> <p>Resource Management Strategies lead: Megan Fidell – <a href="mailto:mfidell@water.ca.gov">mfidell@water.ca.gov</a> and Hoa Ly – <a href="mailto:hly@water.ca.gov">hly@water.ca.gov</a></p>
<b>26.</b> DWR should devote greater resources to protecting water resources through watershed planning	<p>May be addressed in Watershed RMS.</p> <p>Oct. 29, 2010 DWR approved an Environmental Stewardship Policy to integrate environmental objectives in the planning and development of operations and projects.</p>	<p>Watershed RMS lead is Dept. of Conservation that manages such state programs. Contact Brian Leahy – <a href="mailto:brian.leahy@conservation.ca.gov">brian.leahy@conservation.ca.gov</a></p> <p>Environmental Stewardship Policy - <a href="http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/docs/news/EnvironmentalStewardshipPolicy2010.pdf">http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/docs/news/EnvironmentalStewardshipPolicy2010.pdf</a></p>
<b>27.</b> DWR should clean up toxic mining sediments associated with major dams	May be addressed in new sediment RMS	<p>Contact Department of Conservation Office of Mine Reclamation and the State Water Resources Control Board</p> <p>Sediment RMS lead (DWR facilitator) Lisa Beutler – <a href="mailto:lisa-beutler@comcast.net">lisa-beutler@comcast.net</a></p>
<b>28.</b> DWR should work with Tribes to obtain federal funding for public water facilities	Out of Scope	Contact Department of Public Health or Bureau of Indian Affairs and/or Indian Health Service
Other Agencies, the Governor's Office, and the State Legislature		
Tribal Governments		
Out of Water Plan Scope		